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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 1-04-02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): As stated in the prior Official Action: Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143). Applicant's response filed 1-04-02 does not include an election of a single mRNA target as required in the Restriction mailed 10-04-01, nor has Applicant elected by "SEQ ID NO:" the corresponding antisense oligonucleotides targeting a single mRNA target. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

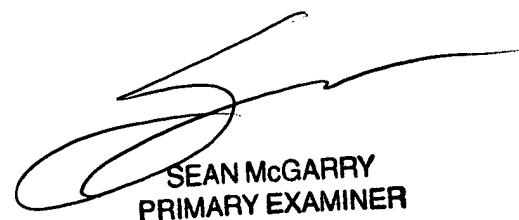
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